Discussion: Tools

Data Science Education Community of Practice DSECOP Workshop

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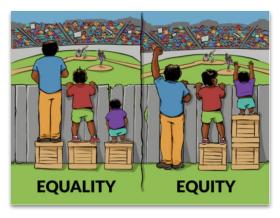
- Hardware
 - Laptop
 - Cloud
- Software
 - Open source
 - Third party/cloud
- Materials (a few useful examples)
 - o A Whirlwind Tour of Python (GitHub) & Python Data Science Handbook (GitHub) by Jake Vanderplas
 - o <u>Deep Learning with Python, 2nd Edition (GitHub)</u> by Francois Chollet
 - www.DataCamp.com. Apply for a 6-month classroom premium access: https://www.datacamp.com/groups/classrooms
 - o <u>cloudskillsboost.google</u> (previously <u>Qwiklabs</u>). Apply <u>here</u> for educational credits.

The issue of equity in data science

Equity is the provision of personalized resources needed for all individuals to reach common goals. ~Dr. Laura Latta

Problem: Inadequate hardware, ineffective software, data access, slow internet connection, and **poor infrastructure** can <u>slow down</u> or <u>block</u> individuals or organizations.





Source: (Interaction Institute for Social Change, 2016)



Cloud computing addresses these issues (to some extent)

Software

- Programming (python)
- Coding environment (Jupyter notebooks on Colab)
- Version control (GitHub)
- Data processing (numpy, pandas)
- Visualization (matplotlib, seaborn)
- Machine learning (scikit-learn, tensorflow/keras/pytorch)
- Database (BigQuery)

Ad-hoc, small-data environments

- Google Colab notebooks
 - Access to free GPU and TPU
 - o Intro to Colab by Maxim Ziatdinov & Mohammad Soltanieh-ha



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RStudio Cloud



Create VMs that are right for your workloads

- Machine type options to consider:
 - Higher proportion of memory to CPU
 - Higher proportion of CPU to memory
 - Blend of both

 With AI Platform notebooks students can customize their hardware and get pre-installed software specialized for the task at hand, in less than a minute.







ChatGPT as a educational tool

Example prompts:

- 1. Write three sets of code blocks in python that compare the speed of numpy against core python. For python consider both a for loop and a list comprehension. In addition, assume this is for a Colab environment (Jupyter notebook) so use the %%timeit magic function to measure the cpu time.
- 2. Can you provide an example that compares the execution time of matrix multiplication between numpy and standard Python using the %%timeit cell magic function in a Jupyter notebook?

Other ways to leverage ChatGPT in classroom:

- Debug code
- Comment code
- Improve readability or efficiency
- Explain code
- Write quiz problems

Code Sharing

- GitHub
 - Share your code with the students
 - Let them collaborate on projects using their own private repos
 - o Project management, issue tracking, wiki, automatic and documentation tools integrated
 - Github for education free premium account
 - https://education.github.com/
 - GitHub now also offers unlimited private repositories on its free tier!
- GitHub integration with Colab



DSECOP: Data Science Education Community of Practice

Preparing students for multiple career paths by offering teaching materials to faculty members who teach undergraduate and graduate physics courses.







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Thank you!

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